

### **Arborist**

**Department:** Parks & Recreation **EEO Code:** 28

Class Code: 3169 FLSA: N

**Effective:** 01/08/2003

### **GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES:**

Under general direction; performs work of moderate difficulty by administering and directing the grounds maintenance, landscaping and tree preservation efforts of the Parks and Recreation Department; and performs other work as required.

# **SPECIFIC STATEMENT OF DUTIES:**

Provides the guidelines for the landscape crew; supervises and reviews the landscape, mechanical playground and Sheriff work force crews; assist the Chief of Parks on tree and landscape issues; performs recommendations on landscape and tree issues; responds to school and parks requests and complaints; reviews landscape proposals and performs recommended changes; consults with mechanical section to ensure administration of section, controls daily orders and reports; works with Risk Management to remove dangerous trees on county property (county-wide); and performs other work as required.

## **REQUIRED SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES:**

Considerable knowledge of pesticide laws and safety regulations; technical knowledge of proper horticultural methods.

Considerable skills in communicating, both orally and in writing.

Considerable ability dealing with landscape and tree issues; to understand landscape standards and apply them; to read and draft construction plans; to construct wetlands from plans; to locate and coordinate delivery installation of plant materials for projects; to perform calculations for calibrations.

### **MINIMUM EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:**

Bachelors Degree in Management, Forestry, Horticulture, or related field and 5 years of experience in landscape design and maintenance, equipment repair, playground construction and maintenance; or an equivalent combination of work and experience.

### **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:**

Must possess a Category 3 Pesticide License and certification by the International Society of Arboriculture as an Arborist.

This class specification is not intended to describe and does not necessarily list the essential job functions for a given position in a classification.